

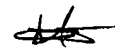
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: /
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 / Group Art: 2818
U.S. Serial No: 10/627,115 /
 / Examiner: Graybill, David E
Filed: July 25, 2003 /
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For: METHODS FOR REDUCING CELL /
 PITCH IN SEMICONDUCTOR /
 DEVICES /

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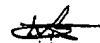
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Examiner's Office Action of November 17, 2004, Applicant hereby elects without traverse the invention of Group II as outlined by the Examiner, comprising Claims 10-12 and 20-26 which are drawn to a product, classified in class 257, subclass 202.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for a first action on the merits, and request that such be done at an early date. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference with Applicant's representative would be helpful to advance the prosecution of the application, he is invited to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



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